



PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

September 18, 2006

TO: INTERESTED PARTIES
FROM: EXECUTIVE OFFICER / APCO
SUBJECT: **PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
REGULATION 8, RULE 5: STORAGE OF ORGANIC
LIQUIDS**

On **Wednesday, October 18, 2006**, the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District will conduct a public hearing to consider adoption of proposed amendments to **Regulation 8: Organic Compounds, Rule 5: Storage of Organic Liquids**, and to consider approval of a CEQA Negative Declaration. The hearing will be held in the 7th floor Board Room of the District Office, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco. **District Board meetings commence at 9:45 a.m.**

Regulation 8, Rule 5 regulates organic liquid storage tanks in order to reduce ozone forming emissions to the atmosphere. The rule primarily affects petroleum refineries, chemical plants, and bulk gasoline distribution facilities. The proposed amendments will implement control measure SS-9 from the Bay Area 2005 Ozone Strategy. The proposed amendments 1) clarify an exemption in the rule for storage tanks subject to District Regulation 8, Rule 7: Gasoline Dispensing Facilities; 2) create a new, voluntary self-inspection and maintenance program; 3) add structural integrity requirements for tank shells and emission limitations on tank pontoons; 4) add limits on the organic content of cleaning agents used on tank interiors and impose containment standards for sludge removed from tanks; and 5) replace an annual source test requirement with an emission monitoring requirement during tank degassing. In addition, the proposed amendments clarify language throughout the rule.

The proposed amendments to Regulation 8, Rule 5 and the draft California Environmental Quality Act Negative Declaration are available on the District's web site at http://www.baaqmd.gov/pln/ruledev/regulatory_public_hearings.htm. Copies of these documents may also be requested by calling Lilia Martinez at (415) 749-4664.

Comments on the proposed amendments and draft Negative Declaration should be directed to Julian Elliot, Senior Air Quality Engineer, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, California, 94109, telephone (415) 749-4705 fax (415) 749-4741, or e-mail at jelliot@baaqmd.gov. **Written comments on the regulatory proposal and draft Negative Declaration will be accepted from September 18, 2006 until 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 10, 2006.**